

**MINUTES OF THE
SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE**

Thursday, February 2, 2017 • 7:59 am • 30 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. Allen M. Christensen, Senate Chair
Rep. Paul Ray, House Chair
Rep. Raymond P. Ward, House Vice Chair
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Daniel Hemmert
Sen. Brian E. Shiozawa
Sen. Todd Weiler
Rep. Carl R. Albrecht
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Rep. Rebecca P. Edwards
Rep. Sandra Hollins
Rep. Michael S. Kennedy

Rep. Edward H. Redd
Rep. Christine F. Watkins

Members Absent:

President Wayne L. Niederhauser
Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell

Staff Present:

Mr. Hector R. Zumaeta Santiago, Staff Economist
Mr. Russell T. Frandsen, Fiscal Analyst
Ms. Clare Tobin Lence, Fiscal Analyst
Ms. Paula Morgan, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at le.utah.gov.

House Chair Ray called the meeting to order at 8:18 AM.

1. Public Input on Topics on Today's Agenda

Shawn McMillen, Executive Chair, Salt Lake County Alcohol and Drug Coordinating Council, presented information and spoke to item #5 on the TANF funds that are scheduled to end this year.

Mary Jo McMillen, Executive Director, Utah Support Advocates for Recovery Awareness, spoke also on TANF funding expiring.

Joseph Gouveia, Program Manager for Substance Abuse, Valley Behavioral Health, spoke on accomplishments of TANF funding.

Rep. Ray and Sen. Christensen asked if a request for appropriation had been made and explained that it needs to be in by noon today.

Adam Cohen, CEO, Odyssey House, thanked the Committee for the previous TANF funds and the previous use of the funds.

Sen. Hemmert expressed support for Odyssey House's request.

Sarah Bauman, Development Director, First Step House, spoke in favor of the TANF funds.

Sen. Shiozawa spoke in favor of the Odyssey House use of funds.

Zach Bale, Director of Operations, Salt Lake County Housing Authority, spoke in favor of TANF funding and the involvement of parents and housing in their program.

2. Annual Audit of the Department of Workforce Services by the State Auditor

John Dougall, State Auditor, introduced Hollie Andrus, Audit Director, who briefed the Committee on the Audit by giving specific details on the findings.

Sen. Christensen thanked the auditors for a job well done. Mr. Dougall responded.

Mr. Hector R. Zumaeta Santiago, Staff Economist, discussed Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds

3. TANF Reserves Issue Brief 2016

5a-Issue Brief - 2017 General Session - Workforce Services TANF Funds

Sen. Christensen asked for clarification on the funds.

Mr. Zumaeta Santiago clarified how the funds are used by using information from the brief.

Rep. Redd asked about the \$19 million in reserve and Mr Zumaeta Santiago replied that those funds can be used. There was continued discussion and clarification.

4. Use of TANF for Access to High Quality School Readiness Programs

Tracy Gruber, Director, Office of Child Care, Department of Workforce Services (DWS), presented the information on the funding.

6a-Use of TANF for Access to High Quality School Readiness Programs

5. Use of TANF for Crisis/Respite Nurseries and Report

7a-Use of TANF for Crisis Respite Nurseries and Report

Sisifo Taatiti, Assistant Director of Programs and Training, DWS, gave a report on TANF funding allotted and the results.

Sen. Escamilla asked a question about services given for an Upstart grant and clarification of how the funding was tracked. Ms. Taatiti explained the process of the tracking.

Rep. Redd asked a question about funding for crisis nurseries and what kind of services were provided. Ms. Taatiti gave information on those services and some discussion followed between Rep. Redd and Ms Taatiti.

Sen. Christensen voiced concern about whether the services would end when the money is gone.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to approve the following motion from the sheet entitled "Social Services Subcommittee - Subcommittee Considerations" dated 1/20/2017 10:10 AM: #1AM .The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-4.
Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E
Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K, Edwards R, Watkins C

Rep. Ray explained the next proceedings for the Budget Reduction Options - Chair Proposal sheet.

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to pass all of the motions in section 5 of the Social Services Subcommittee - Motions for Subcommittee Consideration" dated 1/20/2017 10:10 AM with the following changes: <http://le.utah.gov/interim/2017/pdf/00000961.pdf>

Sen. Escamilla questioned voting all at once and suggested voting individually. It was explained that Sen. Hemmert will present all of them and then the decision on how to vote would be decided.

Rep. Redd voiced concern about the way the Committee is voting and expressed a need to hear from the Departments involved.

Sen. Hemmert responded to questions and explained the procedure of how he developed the list.

Sen. Christensen complimented Sen. Hemmert for his attention to detail.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to divide the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-4.
Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T,

Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E
Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K, Edwards R, Watkins C

Rep. Chavez-Houck requested that the agencies come for discussion.

Dr. Joseph Miner, Director, Department of Health (DOH) responded in favor of the motion.

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to approve #5c - Replace "conduct risk assessments for each information system in operation (Target = 106 information systems)" with "percent of UDOH restricted applications/systems that have reviewed, planned for or mitigated identified risks according to procedure (Goal 95%). The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E

Absent or not voting were:

Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K, Watkins C

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to #5D - Replace measures #2 and #3 with "(2) annually perform on-site survey inspections for health care facilities (Goal = 75%), and (3) the percentage of ambulance providers receiving enough but not more than 8% of gross revenue or 14% return on assets (Goal = 72%)". The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E

Absent or not voting were:

Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K, Watkins C

Dr. Marc Babitz, Deputy Director, DOH, agreed with the change.

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to #5S - a. Change the target for measure #3 to 96%.
b. Add the following language at the end of the motion: "The Legislature intends that the Department of Human Services consider revising the target for measure #1 and submit any proposed changes." The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E

Absent or not voting were:

Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K, Watkins C

Rep. Ward commented on a previous proposed cut and whether there should be a performance measure of some type.

Mark Brasher, Deputy Director, Department of Human Services (DHS), clarified the concern.

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to approve #5T - Change the target for measure #1 to 44%; change the target for measures #2 and #3 to 84%. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E

Absent or not voting were:

Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K, Watkins C

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to approve #5V - Add the following language at the end of the motion: "The Legislature intends that the Department of Human Services consider changing measure #2 and submit any proposed changes." The motion passed with a vote of 11-3-2.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Edwards R, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C

Voting in the negative were:

Escamilla L, Chavez-Houck R, Hollins S

Absent or not voting were:

Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

Mr. Brasher commented.

Sen. Escamilla voiced concern about the cut and the effect on USOR.

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to approve #5W - Add the following language at the end of the motions: "The Legislature intends that the Department of Human Services consider revising the target for measure #1 and submit any proposed changes." The motion passed with a vote of 14-0-2.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E,

Watkins C

Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to approve #5AJ - We propose replacing performance measure #3 for the Permanent Community Impact Fund with: "Provide information to board 2 weeks prior to monthly meetings". The motion passed with a vote of 14-0-2.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C

Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

Kathy Bounous, General Counsel, DWS, explained the use of the funding.

Rep. Chavez-Houck questioned the method of metrics being used to measure food and Ms. Bounous answered her question.

Rep. Redd asked for clarification on how the system works in relation to taxing. There was continued conversation.

Sen. Escamilla asked for clarification on best practice for food measurement. Ms. Bounous agreed to find some information to justify the measurement.

MOTION: Sen. Hemmert moved to approve #5AO - We propose replacing the performance measure for the Qualified Emergency Food Agencies Funds with: "Total pounds of food distributed by qualified agencies (target = 42 million pounds)". The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C

Absent or not voting were:
Ward R, Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass all of the motions in section 5 of the Social Services Subcommittee Motions for Subcommittee Consideration dated 1/20/2017 10:10 AM as just amended. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Christensen A, Ray P, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht

C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C
Absent or not voting were:
Ward R, Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

Russell Frandsen, Fiscal Analyst, clarified the upcoming procedure.

The following comments address the numbered items on the Budget Reduction Options Sheet - Chair Proposal.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to remove item #27 DWS - for Special Administrative Expense Account fund 1281 from the Budget Reduction Options 2 - Chair Proposal. The motion passed with a vote of 14-0-2.
Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C
Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

Mr. Zumaeta Santiago and Rep. Ray gave an explanation of why item #27 is on the budget options sheet.

Rep. Redd inquired what would happen to programs mentioned by Sen. Weiler. There was some discussion and clarification about the question by Jon Pierpont, Executive Director, Department of Workforce Services.

Angella Pinna, Director, Division of Services for People with Disabilities (DSPD), Department of Human Services, discussed item #13 on the Budget Reductions sheet.

Clare Tobin Lence, Fiscal Analyst, provided an explanation.

Doug Thomas, Director, Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH), Department of Human Services, spoke to #17.

MOTION: Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to remove # 17 from the Budget Reduction Options sheet. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.
Voting in the affirmative were:
Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C
Absent or not voting were:

Christensen A, Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

Mr. Thomas discussed # 18

Liesa Stockdale, Director, Office of Recovery Services (ORS), Department of Human Services, discussed #19 on the Budget Reductions sheet with Ms. Lence contributing information.

MOTION: Senate Chair Christensen moved to remove #19 from the Reductions list. The motion passed with a vote of 14-0-2.
Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Shiozawa B, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C
Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Van Tassell K

Dr. Joseph Miner, Executive Director, Department of Health, spoke to #20.

Mr. Jon Pierpont, Executive Director, Department of Workforce Services, spoke to #26 and objected to the reduction with Nathan Harrison, giving information about funds being reduced. Mr. Zumaeta Santiago responded and discussed the maintenance of effort issue with Mr. Harrison.

MOTION: Rep. Edwards moved to remove item #26 on the reductions list. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-4.
Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Watkins C
Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Shiozawa B, Van Tassell K, Redd E

Mr. Pierpont spoke in concurrence with the removal of item #26.

Sen. Escamilla commented on the reduction issue.

MOTION: Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to revisit #13 and remove it from the reductions list. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-3.
Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Weiler T, Albrecht C, Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Kennedy M, Redd E, Watkins C

Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Shiozawa B, Van Tassell K

MOTION: Senate Chair Christensen moved to approve the Budget Reduction Options - Chair Proposal as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-4.

Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Weiler T, Albrecht C,
Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Redd E, Watkins C

Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Shiozawa B, Van Tassell K, Kennedy M

MOTION: Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-4.

Voting in the affirmative were:
Christensen A, Ray P, Ward R, Escamilla L, Hemmert D, Weiler T, Albrecht C,
Chavez-Houck R, Edwards R, Hollins S, Redd E, Watkins C

Absent or not voting were:
Niederhauser W, Shiozawa B, Van Tassell K, Kennedy M

Meeting adjourned at 10:28 AM.

Sen. Allen Christensen, Chair

Rep. Paul Ray, House Chair